

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN ROSALIE (ROSIE) BUZZAS**, on December 14, 2005 at 10 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Rosalie (Rosie) Buzzas, Chairman (D)
Rep. Carol C. Juneau, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. John E. Witt, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Eve Franklin (D)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
Rep. Christine Kaufmann (D)
Rep. Ralph L. Lenhart (D)
Rep. Walter McNutt (R)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Rep. John Sinrud (R)
Rep. Janna Taylor (R)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)

Staff Present: Marcy McLean, Committee Secretary
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 5, HB 1, 12/13/2005
Executive Action: HB 5, HB 1

00:00:03

Introduction by **CHAIRMAN ROSIE BUZZAS**.

00:05:15

Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, presented an overview of the Legislative Budget Analysis.

[EXHIBIT](#)(aph01a01)

00:11:40

Terry Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Analyst

[EXHIBIT](#)(aph01a02)

[EXHIBIT](#)(aph01a03)

00:18:50

Questions from **REPS. RIPLEY and SINRUD**.

00:28:23

Terry Johnson concluded his presentation and opened for questions.

Questions from **REPS. SINRUD, MORGAN, CALLAHAN, WITT, TAYLOR, SINRUD**.

00:48:30

David Ewer, Governor's Budget Director, responded to the Legislative Budget Analysis.

00:57:35

Question from **REP. SINRUD**.

01:02:36

Closing of Legislative Fiscal Analysis.

01:03:00

HEARING ON HB 5

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. ROSALIE (ROSIE) BUZZAS (D), HD 93, opened the hearing on **HB 5**, Feed bill.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:04:28 Lois Menzies, Legislative Services Division

EXHIBIT(aph01a04)

01:07:04

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REPS. WITT, RIPLEY, TAYLOR, SINRUD, WITT, RIPLEY

01:17:18

Closing by Sponsor:

01:17:32

Hearing closed.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 5

Motion: REP. JUNEAU moved that HB 5 DO PASS.

Discussion:

REP. SINRUD

01:19:18

REP. FRANKLIN

REP. JAYNE

01:20:55

CHAIRMAN BUZZAS clarified funding of HB 5.

Motion/Vote: REP. RIPLEY moved that CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT DO PASS. Motion failed 10-10 by roll call vote with REP. GLASER, REP. HAWK, REP. JACKSON, REP. MCNUTT, REP. MORGAN, REP. RIPLEY, REP. SINRUD, REP. TAYLOR, REP. WELLS, and REP. WITT voting aye.

01:26:33

Lois Menzies provided clarification of funding for Special Session.

Vote: Motion carried 11-9 by roll call vote with REP. GLASER, REP. JACKSON, REP. MCNUTT, REP. MORGAN, REP. RIPLEY, REP. SINRUD, REP. TAYLOR, REP. WELLS, and REP. WITT voting no.

01:29:30

HEARING ON HB 1

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. DAVID WANZENRIED (D), HD 97, opened the hearing on HB 1, Appropriate funds for schools, TRS, and PERS.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:39:35 David Ewer, Governor's Budget Director, reviewed SB 1 and its Fiscal Note.

01:55:59 Madalyn Quinlan, Chief of Staff, Office of Public Instruction.

EXHIBIT(aph01a05)

EXHIBIT(aph01a06)

REP. GLASER entered hearing.

02:00:06 REP. WITT point of order question on amendments.

CHAIRMAN BUZZAS responded.

Madalyn Quinlan continued with her proponent testimony.

02:05:45 REP. JONATHAN WINDY BOY, Representative and Council member of Chippewa Cree Tribe.

REP. JACKSON entered hearing.

George Dennison, President, University of Montana

Eric Burke, MEA/MFT

Gilbert Bruce Meyers, MIEA

Sheila Stearns, Commissioner of Higher Education

02:23:32 Brian Kuehl, American and Alaskan Indian Center

02:26:43 Don Walters, Montana Retired Educators

EXHIBIT(aph01a07)

Joe McDonald, Salish & Kootenai College

02:28:49 Rick Robinson, Northern Cheyenne tribal member, Lame
Deer Boys & Girls Club

EXHIBIT(aph01a08)

02:32:51 Dan Myles, private citizen

June Hermanson, Project Director for Montana Youth
Leadership, private citizen

02:38:00 Claudia Clifford, American Association of Retired
Persons

REP. NORMA BIXBY, Montana Indian Education Association

02:43:32 David Senn, Teachers Retirement System

02:46:25 recess at 12:45 p.m., to reconvene at 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:45 P.M.

REP. ROSALIE (ROSIE) BUZZAS, Chairman

MARCY MCLEAN, Secretary

RB/mm